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GLASS BASE MATERIAL

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**  
**(37 C.F.R. § 1.121)**

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. § 1.121) dated July 16, 2007 (copy attached), submitted herewith is an amended "AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION" section (pages 2-3) of the Preliminary Amendment filed on September 18, 2006, in which the new paragraphs are not underlined.

Acknowledgment of receipt is respectfully requested. Please substitute these pages for the pages which were filed with the Preliminary Amendment.

A conditional petition is made for any extension of time which may become necessary. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees for such extension and to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

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